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In re Application of

Andre Beaulieu et al

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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed March 14, 2005, requesting withdrawal of abandonment based on timely filing of a reply.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed an Office action to applicants on June 7, 2004, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Upon apparent failure to receive a reply the application was held abandoned by Notice of Abandonment mailed January 11, 2005. Applicants state that a reply was submitted on December 9, 2004, with a three month extension of time request and fee, and include an Office date stamped postcard indicating Office receipt thereof. It appears that the reply was not timely correlated with the file, but was correlated after the Notice of Abandonment was mailed out. In view of applicants' timely reply the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner of further consideration.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number 571-273-8300.

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